

Call himself fool by reversing his Own Decrees, And Whereas it is represented and proved to this Gen^l Assembly that the said Eleanor is Since the said Decrees, Departed this life So that it is Disputable whether the said Decrees being of So long Standing can by the ordinary rules of the High Court of Chan^{ry} be reversed after the Death of the Parties to them and that the said Patent being vacated is not sufficient Evidence to recover by at Common Law So that it seems impracticable for the said John Beale and Richard Beale to recover their Right tho Unjustly withheld from them by the Common Rules and Practice of the Court of Law and Equity and that it is thought Unreasonable having a Right thereto that they should be Deprived of a remedy Wherefore it [784] Is Prayed that it may be Enacted by his Ldps the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Proprietor by and with the advice and Consent of the Upper and Lower houses of Assembly and the Authority of the Same that the said John Beale During his natural life and the said Rich^d Beale and his Heirs and assigns for Ever shall and may by virtue of this Act have hold and Enjoy as full Ample and Clear an Estate as the said Tract of Land Called Durham as they or any of them should Could or might have if the said Grant thereof had never been Vacated or Cancelled any Decree or Judgment in any Court of Law or Equity to the Contrary Notwithstanding and that the sherr: of Charles County shall and may by virtue of this Act Put the said John into full and Quiett Possession of the said tract of Land with its Appurtenances, And Whereas the said John Beale has been at an Insupportable Expen^{ce} in the Vindication of his Right to the premisses to the almost Utter Ruin of himself and family Notwithstanding the Justice of his Cause And that it may be Disputable he be not barred of recovering his Damages by the said Severall Decrees Wherefore it is thought reasonable to obviate all Disputes and Difficulties of that Sort to which End It is further Enacted by the Authority advice and Consent afs^d that he the said Jn^o Beale shall be Enabled to prosecute any Suit or Suits at Law or Equity for the recovery of his Damages and Costs as fully and Amply as he might have been had no Rule or Decree been Passed in the premisses any thing in such Rule order or Decree or any Act of Limitation to the Contrary Notwithstanding June the 4th 1719 Read and Assented to by the Lower house of Assembly and Signed Per ord^r M Jenifer Cl^k: Lo: ho: June 5th 1719 Read and assented to by the Upper House of Assembly and Signed Per ord^r John Beard Cl^k: Up: ho: June 6th 1719 On behalf of his Lordship the Right Hon^{ble} the Lord Prop^{ty} of this Province I will this be a Law Jo: Hart.

We also find that his Lordship the Lord Proprietary of the said Province of Maryland by his Speech Published and Recorded in the journall of the Lower house of Assembly in a sessions beginning the 5th of April and Ending the 22^d April 1720 Signified and Declared his assent to the said Act so passed by the Governour and Upper and Lower houses of Assembly as afores^d in the words following Viz^t: Among the Sev^l Laws made at a Sessions